

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S3245–S3284

Measures Introduced: Nineteen bills and six resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 4511–4529, S.J. Res. 55, and S. Res. 704–708. **Pages S3269–70**

Measures Reported:

S. 4348, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs, medical devices, generic drugs, and biosimilar biological products, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Measures Passed:

End Human Trafficking in Government Contracts Act: Senate passed S. 3470, to provide for the implementation of certain trafficking in contracting provisions.

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Commending the Republic of Moldova: Senate agreed to S. Res. 638, commending the Government and people of the Republic of Moldova for their heroic efforts to support Ukrainian refugees fleeing President Putin's illegal war against Ukraine, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Heinzelman Nomination—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Kate Elizabeth Heinzelman, of New York, to be General Counsel of the Central Intelligence Agency.

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During consideration of this nomination today, Senate also took the following action:

By 51 yeas to 42 nays (Vote No. EX. 253), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the nomination, post-cloture, at approximately 10 a.m., on Thursday, July 14, 2022; that all post-cloture time be considered expired at 11:45 a.m., and Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination; and that following the vote, Senate resume consideration of the nomination of Julianna Michelle Childs, of South Carolina, to be United States Circuit Judge for the District of Co-

lumbia Circuit, and Senate vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Julianna Michelle Childs at 1:45 p.m.

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 66 yeas to 28 nays (Vote No. EX. 248), Michael S. Barr, of Michigan, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System for the unexpired term of fourteen years from February 1, 2018.

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By 66 yeas to 28 nays (Vote No. EX. 250), Michael S. Barr, of Michigan, to be Vice Chairman for Supervision of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System for a term of four years.

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During consideration of this nomination today, Senate also took the following action:

By 66 yeas to 28 nays (Vote No. EX. 249), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination.

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By 51 yeas to 44 nays (Vote No. EX. 252), Owen Edward Herrnstadt, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Export-Import Bank of the United States for a term expiring January 20, 2025.

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During consideration of this nomination today, Senate also took the following action:

By 51 yeas to 44 nays (Vote No. EX. 251), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Margaret R. Guzman, of Massachusetts, to be United States District Judge for the District of Massachusetts.

Kymberly Kathryn Evanson, of Washington, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Washington.

Jamal N. Whitehead, of Washington, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Washington.

Robert Stewart Ballou, of Virginia, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Virginia.

Jamar K. Walker, of Virginia, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia.

Jorge A. Rodriguez, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of New York.

2 Army nominations in the rank of general.

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Record Votes: Six record votes were taken today.
(Total—253) **Pages S3251, S3259–61**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10:31 a.m. and adjourned at 8:46 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Thursday, July 14, 2022. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S3279.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: DOI

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2023 for the Department of the Interior, after receiving testimony from Deb Haaland, Secretary of the Interior.

NOMINATION

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of David P. Pekoske, of Maryland, to be Administrator of the Transportation Security Administration, Department of Homeland Security, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

LOWERING ENERGY PRICES

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Energy concluded a hearing to examine pathways to lower energy prices in the United States, after receiving testimony from Julie Fedorchak, North Dakota Public Service Commission, and Ron Ness, North Dakota Petroleum Council, both of Bismarck; David J. Bissell, Kaua'i Island

Utility Cooperative, Lihue, Hawaii; and John Larsen, Rhodium Group, Pelham, Massachusetts.

AIR QUALITY MONITORING LEGISLATION

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded a hearing to examine S. 1345, to establish a national mercury monitoring program, S. 2476, to require the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to establish a pilot program for hyperlocal air quality monitoring projects in environmental justice communities, and an original bill entitled, "Public Health Air Quality Act", after receiving testimony from Senator Collins; Representative Blunt Rochester; J. Alfredo Gomez, Director, Natural Resources and Environment, Government Accountability Office; Kathy Fallon, Clean Air Task Force, Boston, Massachusetts; Jason Isaac, Life:Powered, Austin, Texas; Dana Johnson, WE ACT for Environmental Justice, Washington, D.C.; and Bart Eklund, Haley and Aldrich, McLean, Virginia.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Dean R. Thompson, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to Nepal, who was introduced by Senator Van Hollen, Robert F. Godec, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Thailand, Yohannes Abraham, of Virginia, to be Representative of the United States of America to the Association of Southeast Asian Nations, with the rank and status of Ambassador, Richard Lee Buangan, of California, to be Ambassador to Mongolia, and Marie C. Damour, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Fiji, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Republic of Kiribati, the Republic of Nauru, the Kingdom of Tonga, and Tuvalu, all of the Department of State, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

REPRODUCTIVE CARE

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine reproductive care in a post-Roe America, focusing on barriers, challenges, and threats to women's health, after receiving testimony from Kristyn Brandi, Physicians for Reproductive Health, New Jersey; Samie Detzer, Planned Parenthood Federation of America, New York; Jamila K. Taylor, The Century Foundation, D.C.; and Brandi Swindell, Stanton Healthcare, Idaho.